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Sir:

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REMARKS

The following documents were cited in an August 15, 2006 Canadian Official Action of a foreign counterpart application corresponding to the subject application:

- (1) US 5,629,981;
- (2) US 5,708,423;
- (3) WO 00/45324;

(4) US 5,764,992; and

(5) US 6,131,399.

Document (2) was cited in the June 18, 2002 Information Disclosure Statement.

Documents (3) and (4) were cited in the March 17, 2006 Information Disclosure Statement.

Document (5) was cited in the June 22, 2006 Official Action. A copy of the Canadian Official Action is enclosed.

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Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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